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Happy Hispanic/Latinx Heritage Month!

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Folks, it's Week 3 of classes and for the most part, it feels like we're settling into our new routine here in Orono. Masks and vaccines are still required, and we continue to ask that you respect our most vulnerable friends and neighbors by adhering to the guidelines put forth by the Maine CDC. A reminder that the most up-to-date guidance for our campus can be found at <https://umaine.edu/return/>.

This Wednesday marks the beginning of Hispanic/Latinx Heritage Month, which we will celebrate from September 15 - October 15. Please scroll down this newsletter for information on some of the events we already have confirmed for the month and know that more are in development as well. This is also a GREAT time to get connected with the [Caribbean and Latinx Student Alliance](#) group on campus, who will also be coordinating some amazing programs both during the month and beyond. Stay tuned for updates as they become available!

I also want to remind all of us that Yom Kippur is this week, beginning Wednesday evening and running through Thursday evening, and while it is not generally considered appropriate to wish somebody a happy Yom Kippur, as it is a somber and reflective occasion, I hope that all who will be participating this week find time for meaningful reflection and prayer, connection with friends and community, and the space to do so from their non-Jewish friends, colleagues, and supervisors. G'mar chatima tova. To our non-Jewish friends and colleagues, I ask that you take this time to review the [religious holidays calendar](#) shared by the Office of Human Resources with all employees two weeks ago and work to ensure that you avoid scheduling

important meetings, exams, and other events on the dates listed, even if they are not federal holidays and we are expected to report to work/class as usual. Understand that while fasting, avoiding work and/or technology, and several prayer services may be part of Yom Kippur for our Jewish friends, there is no one way that all folks honor the occasion, and it's important to allow the individuals in your life who are partaking to do so in the way that works for them.

Additionally, Thursday marks the beginning of [Bi Week](#)! Annually, from September 16-23, join [GLAAD](#), the [Bisexual Resource Center](#), and [Still Bisexual](#) in recognizing the bisexual+ community for Bisexual Awareness Week, culminating in Celebrate Bisexuality+ Day on September 23. Throughout #BiWeek, allies and bi+ people learn about the history, culture, community, and current policy priorities of bi+ communities.

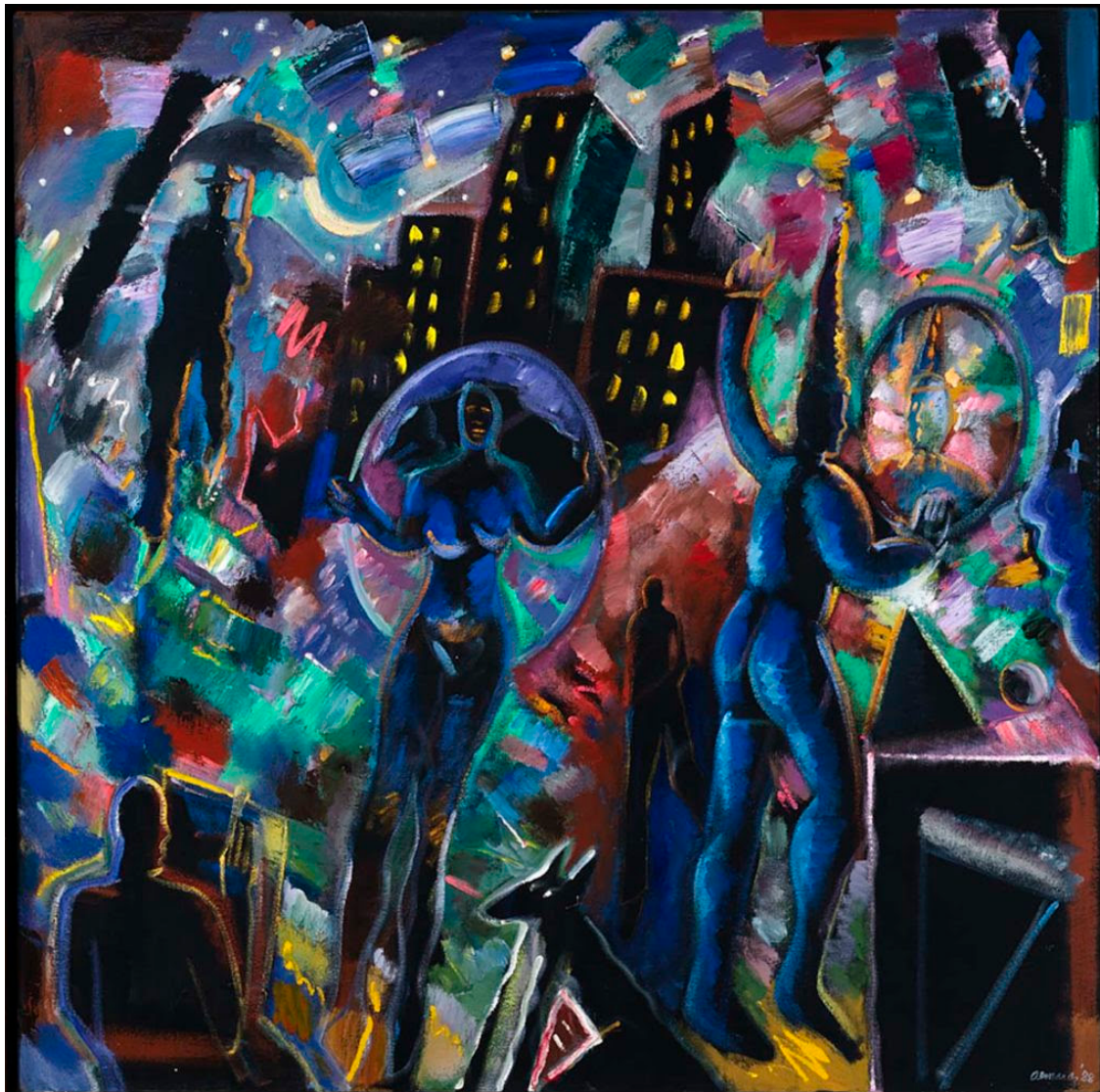
Lastly, I'd like to invite you to join the Town of Orono DEI Committee at tonight's town council meeting, where they will present their findings and recommendations to the town council. The town council meeting is open to the public and also being broadcast online via Zoom. If you are interested and able, please consider joining the meeting at Orono Town Office or at <https://zoom.us/j/93680957814>.

Wishing you all a happy, healthy, and fulfilling week, and as always, we are here if we can be helpful.

All the best,
Rob Jackson
Staff Associate for Diversity and Inclusion



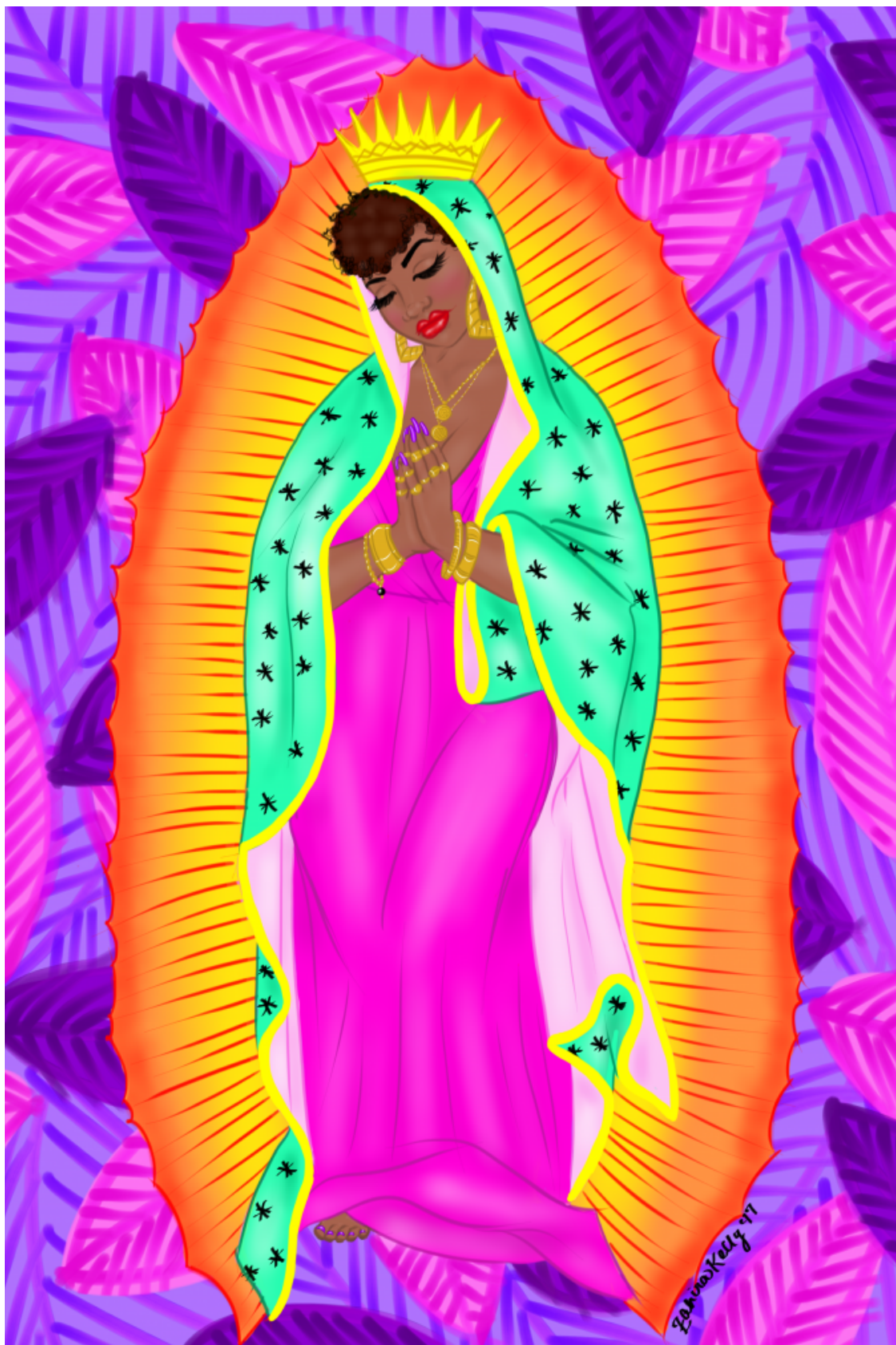
This short 2015 documentary shares the challenges of a transgender military couple, who were banned from serving openly, a policy that was only reversed in March of 2021.



Carlos Almaraz, *Night Magic (Blue Jester)*, 1988. Courtesy Smithsonian American Art Museum. © 1988 Carlos Almaraz.



'What is Yom Kippur?' via [Religion for Breakfast](#) on YouTube



Piece from the Virgen Negra collection by Zahira Kelly.



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LUNCH & LEARN!

LATINX HERITAGE MONTH

Featuring Dr. Stefano Tijerina, Sandra Cáceres Tijerina,
M.S., M.Ed., and Academic Advisor and Success
Instructor, Silvestre Guzmán, M.Ed.

September 30th, 12pm-1pm

Memorial Union 314, Multicultural Student Center

Free Event

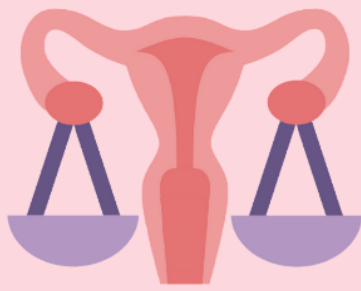
All are Welcome

Join the Office for
Diversity and
Inclusion for a free
lunch as we kick off
our informal seminar
series

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SNACK & CHAT

Thursday Sept., 16th at 2pm

Multicultural Student Center in
Memorial Union 312

What does equitable reproductive justice look like?

Join us for a facilitated reflection and
debrief on the recent restrictive
reproductive health law in Texas.

All are welcome. Light refreshments provided.



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**LATIN AMERICAN
TELENOVELA
NIGHT!**

ENJOY HISPANIC DESSERTS



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SEE YOU THERE

09.16.2021

**7:00
PM**

MEMORIAL UNION
MULTICULTURAL STUDENT CENTER
RM 312

Come join us for a Latin American Telenovela Night in celebration of Latinx/Hispanic Heritage month. The event will be on Thursday night at 7pm in the Multicultural Student Center, located in Room 312 of Memorial Union. We encourage all students to come and enjoy Hispanic desserts and community, as we appreciate Latin American film and culture!



Wilson Center Wednesdays

FREE vegetarian dinner & dialog | 6-8pm weekly
67 college ave | outside under the big tent

September 1 | What is Community?

A conversation with Wilson Center Staff



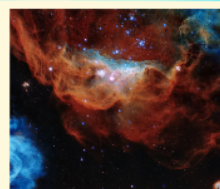
September 8 | Tai Chi

With guest Shiwa Noh | no experience required



September 15 | The Cosmic Walk

A walking meditation with Sister Miriam Devlin



September 22 | Sukkot Celebration

Learn about this Jewish festival | facilitator TBA



September 29 | Art by Committee

A collaborative art project with guest Fred Irons



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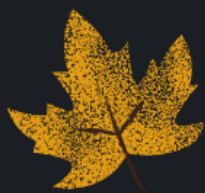


MEDITATION GROUP

Thursdays 6-7PM at The Wilson Center
67 College Ave. in Orono

please bring a mask
all are welcome, beginner and expert

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SOLIDARITY MEETING

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SHARE AND SUPPORT EACH OTHER AS
STUDENTS OF COLOR AT UMAINE



**MEETING WILL BE HELD BI-WEEKLY
STARTING 9/15/21 AT 2PM
SIGN UP VIA ATTACHED LINK**

*This meeting is offered online for the time being. Students must be
physically in Maine to attend.*



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week in advance





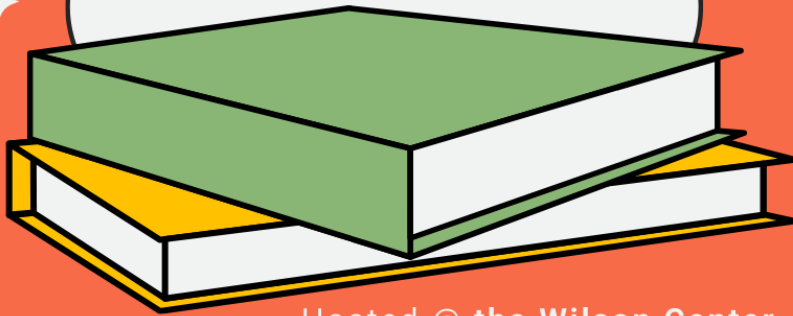
Indigenous culture is one of essential components in Latin America's culture. In this year's Hispanic Heritage Month, we spoke to one man in Colombia who has dedicated his life to the conservation of indigenous rights.

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